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SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Bruning, you're recognized to open on your amendment.

SENATOR BRUNING: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, this amendment brings back the social security number issue, but in a...in a considerably more mild way where individuals would not be able to be tracked by this number. If you look at the amendment, AM2435, what it does is change it so that the Supreme Court's guidelines, their minimum standards, may contain the last four digits of a person's social security number. idea, of course, here is just to allow them to differentiate between Joe Smith and a different Joe Smith. I'm told by the Omaha police this is a problem they face with some regularity. understand my colleagues' concerns about having social security numbers available in a public record. I think that's a valid concern and thought that this was a compromise that might allow people with common names to be distinguished from each other, especially those that are moving regularly or perhaps women who change their names when they're married. way for...to have the last four digits of a social security maintains number that their privacy, yet, enables law enforcement to distinguish individuals from each other. with that, I would ask the body's consent on this amendment. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Heard the opening on AM2435 to LB 82. Open for discussion. Senator Brashear. I'm sorry, Senator Chambers first.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, I'm getting fed up with these people running for office and using my interests to campaign. Now it's in the paper where Senator Bruning accused his opponent of violating liquor laws and I don't think he did adequate research before he leveled the kind of charge he did. And as he brings that mess on the floor of the Legislature he wants to play political hardball and you all may join him, if he has his way, in converting this into a platform for him to campaign for Attorney General. I'm going to deal with it. Now the State Patrol does not use social security